

being Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Howard County", sub-title "Metropolitan Commission", providing for the payment of front foot benefit charges to the Treasurer of Howard County and when said charges shall be due, bear interest and the amount thereof and generally clarifying said sub-section.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That with amendments Sub-section (g) of Section 132 of the Howard County Code (Everstine's 1957 Edition), being Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Howard County", sub-title "Metropolitan Commission", be, and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

132. ASSESSMENTS ON PROPERTIES; BENEFITS, CLASSIFICATIONS.

(g) The Commission shall at any time permit a connection with a water main or sewer by the property owner whose property does not abut on said water main or sewer and who has not previously thereto paid a benefit charge for the construction of said water main or sewer, provided, said Commission shall classify said property and determine a front foot charge to be paid by said property owner as though his or her property abutted upon said water main or sewer; and in the event of such connection being made, said property owner and said property as to all charges, rates and benefits shall stand in every respect in the same position as if the said property abutted upon a water main or sewer. [Said benefit charge shall be payable at the office of the Commission immediately upon being levied, and shall be overdue and in default after sixty days from that day, at which time the Commission may proceed to enforce payment thereof; and the said benefit charge and any judgment or decree obtained as a result of default in payment thereof shall bear interest at the rate of one-half per centum per month from and after the time said benefit assessment or other charges are in default.] *Said benefit charges shall be fixed, as provided in this said Section 132, by the Commission and certified to the Treasurer of Howard County, who shall include said charges on the County tax bills and shall collect same for the use and benefit of the said Commission, and remit the said charges to it at least quarterly; said charges, as certified, fixed and levied, as aforesaid, shall be payable, without discount, but shall bear interest at the rate of one-half per centum per month if not paid within ninety days from the effective date of the said annual assessment.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1961.

Approved April 24, 1961.

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CHAPTER 565

(House Bill 719)

AN ACT to repeal Section 42A of Article 26 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1960 Supplement), title "Courts", sub-title "Circuit